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SUBJECT: MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS: JAMAICA AND THE NON-ALIGNED
CONFERENCE

1. MAJOR JAMAICAN DAILY NEWSPAPERS (DAILY NEWS AND DAILY
GLENER) AUGUST 22 AND 23 HEADLINED RESULTS OF NON-ALIGNED
CONFERENCE WITH FOCUS ON CARIBBEAN ISSUES AND PRESS CONFERENCE
BY RETURNING FONMIN DUDLEY THOMPSON. PARTICULAR ATTENTION
GIVEN TO LANGUAGE IN FINAL DECLARATION WHICH PLEDGED
NAM "FULL SOLIDARITY AND ACTIVE COMMITMENT" TO GUYANA,
JAMAICA, BARBADOS, AND OTHER COUNTRIES IN THE REGION ALLEGEDLY
SUBJECT TO DESTABILIZATION. ONLY PASSING MENTION MADE OF
OTHER ISSUES COVERED BY FINAL DECLARATION; THESE
WERE IN THE MAIN ARA ITEMS, E.G. CUBA, PANAMA, BELIZE, CHILE,
AND THE CALL FOR THE DISMANTLING OF U.S. BASES IN THE
CARIBBEAN AND ELSEWHERE. KEY HEADLINE WAS DAILY NEWS
AUGUST 22: "DESTABILIZATION -- NON-ALIGNED BACK JAMAICA".

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2. BOTH NEWSPAPERS ALSO PROVIDED FRONT PAGE COVERAGE OF FONMIN THOMPSON'S AIRPORT PRESS CONFERENCE ON SUNDAY. THOMPSON QUOTED AS STATING THAT SUMMIT WAS "UNQUALIFIED SUCCESS" AND THAT INTEREST IN PROBLEMS OF CARIBBEAN AMONG OTHER NON-ALIGNED DELEGATIONS WAS VERY HIGH.

3. ASKED BY A REPORTER WHAT "FULL SOLIDARITY AND ACTIVE COMMITMENT" TO COUNTRIES OF THE CARIBBEAN REGION MEANT, THOMPSON REPLIED "COUNTRIES WHO SUPPORTED THE RESOLUTION WOULD NOT BE MERELY SILENT OBSERVERS. MANY OF THE COUNTRIES IN THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT WERE POWERFUL NATIONS WHO COULD ASSIST COUNTRIES IN THE REGION TO FIGHT AGAINST DESTABILIZATION EFFORTS".

4. THOMPSON ALSO EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR THE PROPOSED NON-ALIGNED PRESS POOL, AND THE PROPOSED THIRD WORLD BANK.

5. HE ALSO VOLUNTEERED THAT LIBYA AND KUWAIT HAD, DURING THE CONFERENCE, "EXPRESSED A DESIRE TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH JAMAICA".
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